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Headquarters, Crime Branch,

January 27, 1932.



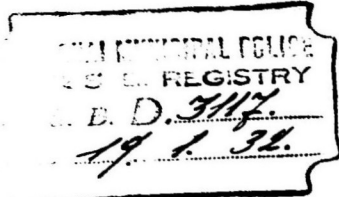
Name Edward ~~Mervin~~ alias Ma Wing, alias Ng Yick Wing
Born March 21, 1901, Sunning District, Kwangtung
Occupation Formerly a clerk in the American Consulate at Hongkong
Height About 5'7" or 5'8"
Build Very slender

The original of the above photograph was arrested in Hongkong some months ago whilst carrying on a regular business in fraudulent travel documents. He was released on \$1,000.00 bail, but absconded. He was in the United States from 1916 to 1925, and speaks English with a strong American accent.

If located, please notify Headquarters, Crime Branch, immediately.

R. J. Aiers
Deputy Commissioner
(Crime Branch)

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Dear Mr. Nicholson,

Reference the man Edward Marwin your Mr. Sawyer called on me in connection with the matter and I explained our position, but I will try to locate in the meantime.

Yours sincerely,

M. R. Nicholson Esq.,

Treasury Attaché,

American Consulate-General,

Shanghai.



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R. C. Aiers, Esquire,
Deputy Commissioner of Police, C. I. E.,
Shanghai, China.

Dear Mr. Aiers,

There is enclosed herewith copy of a photograph of Edward Marwin, alias Ma Wing, alias Ng Yick Wing () a former clerk in the American Consulate at Hong Kong, discharged in 1929, when he was suspected of forging Chinese travel documents.

Some months ago Marwin was arrested in Hong Kong in the course of a raid on the Yick Tai firm where numerous papers seized indicated that a regular business in fraudulent travel documents was being carried on.

Marwin and the manager of the Yick Tai firm, Chan Woon Chung, were released on \$1500.00 bail each as the police desired to await the receipt of forged Siamese passports discovered in Seattle, bearing forged American visas, before formally charging them.

When the Hong Kong police attempted to find them to prefer charges against them, they were found not to be in Hong Kong and the police suspect Marwin is in Shanghai or Nanking, where he is supposed to have friends. Chan Woon Chung is thought to have gone to Canton. Bail of Marwin and Chan has been estreated and they are now fugitives subject to arrest on being found in Hong Kong.

The photograph of Marwin was taken in 1925 and is a good likeness. The following is a description of Marwin:-

Born March 21, 1901, Sunning District, Kwangtung.

About 5' 7" or 5' 8" tall

Very slender - weight about 130 pounds

Speaks Cantonese with Sz Yap accent

Speaks English fluently and idiomatically but with lower East Side New York accent.

Was in the United States from 1916 to 1925, being admitted

as a citizen through birth abroad of an English (Chinese race) father.

Dresses in American style. Inclines to "loud" clothes.

Manner rather aggressive.

I would appreciate receiving any information which may become available to you concerning the whereabouts and / or activities of these individuals, particularly the so-called Edward Marwin.

Faithfully yours,

M. R. Nicholson

Treasury Attaché

MRN:FMJ

Enclosure - as stated

I
A. C. B.
Confidential memo
"no action report if located"
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III
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Memorandum 397 issued.
S. T. White Dec.
28.1.32.

II
C. S.
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